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Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

*RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations (WT Docket No. 11-65).*

Dear Chairman Julius Genachowski and FCC Commissioners,

On behalf of the Arkansas Municipal League, I am writing today in support of AT&T's merger with T-Mobile.

The Arkansas Municipal League serves as the official representative of Arkansas cities and towns before state and federal government entities. It is our strong opinion that this merger will have a positive impact on communities and citizens in our state, along with the rest of the country. It would combine two strong, yet different, networks to serve more consumers with wireless high-speed broadband connections. It would also ensure there is the investment needed to create this network.

A significant increase in wireless high-speed broadband coverage across Arkansas is vital for cities to succeed in today's digital marketplace. Economic development demands investment in technology, and this merger would give Arkansas's cities and towns a major tool to ensure they are able to thrive.

The Arkansas Municipal League continues to work for cities and towns across Arkansas with the motto: "Great Cities Make a Great State." We are confident that this merger will help all of our cities to be great. I urge you to support the economic benefits that the AT&T and T-Mobile merger will help bring to Arkansas, specifically to our numerous rural cities and towns. Rolling out 4G LTE can level the playing field for these areas, no matter their location on the map.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director